

Hollidaysburg Arts and Music Parents Association (HAMPa)

Meeting Minutes
Date: October 5, 2026
Time: 7:00pm

Call Meeting to Order:

- 7:05pm by Kelly Hartman
- Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

Officer Reports:

President- Kelly Hartman (president@hampamusic.com)

- Sheetz cups are SOLD OUT!
 - Discussion on how to continue this success next year.
- Thank you to Curt and Heather Buchanan (Concession stand managers). They have really stepped up in their role and we appreciate it!
- Created a separate message group for parents/guardians that have not fulfilled their Concession Stand Fair Share requirement. Will use this to reach out when there are opportunities to work in the concession stand.
 - FYI- not many concession opportunities left in the Spring!
- Social media coordinator
 - It was discussed last year about the possibility of creating a new HAMPa Board position of Social Media Coordinator.
 - Kelly will add this to the upcoming meeting agenda. There would then need to be a motion to amend the HAMPa bylaws...
 - Please reach out to president@hampamusic.com if you are interested in this position.
- Rosters and Fair Share costs have been updated in CutTime
 - Fair Share is \$200, due in February 28th so HAMPa can plan for field trips
 - Split into smaller increments on CutTime in the months leading up to February to help families plan, as well as for fundraising and volunteer credits to be added.
 - Kelly sent a message on CutTime clarifying this.
- Sibling discounts are entered in CutTime as well
 - Family discounts are run alphabetically with the sibling's name, not grade level.
- Claysburg and Marianna's profits were entered onto CutTime
- Communication updates seem to be streamlined and working well.

Senior High Vice Presidents-Jill Blescia and Brigitte Donlan(SHVP@hampamusic.com)

- See Report
- Had over 100 alumni band members return
 - Thank you to everyone who helped with Alumni dinner

Junior High Vice President- Melissa Krott and Rachel Wagner (JHVP@hampamusic.com)

- Set up to help with football game next Friday
- 8th graders traveled to Penn State for Middle School band day at PSU- awesome event!

Drama Vice President- Tami Hinish and Lori Loucks (dramaVP@hampamusic.com)

- Looking into ideas for concessions at Frozen

- Will send out notification for volunteers for Frozen closer to time.
- Last year we offered 'package tickets' for individuals seeing the production multiple times. Tami will reach out to Kelly Black about this.

Secretary- Nikole Eardley (secretary@hampamusic.com)

- Nothing to report

Treasurer- Beth Corey/Alexis Caldwell (treasurer@hampamusic.com)

Assistant Treasurer- Joni Raley

- Beth- the budget is up to date
- Budget- on par to where we normally are
- Joni needs copies of receipts
- Concession stands have pens for check larger bills

Fundraising: Nicki Keagy- Fundraising Chairperson (fundraising@hampamusic.com)

- **See Report**
- Musical Mayhem
 - Used to be Cash Bash, last year it was a Music Trivia night with small games of chance tickets as well.
 - Everyone seemed to have a great time!
 - \$50 per ticket, cash bar, food catered by US Hotel
 - Last year made appx \$3000 (60 seats sold)- there is potential to make a lot more but we need more help!
 - Coordinators needed
 - Promotion Coordinator: social media, flyers...
 - Ticket sales Coordinator: look for a ticket sponsor, be in charge of ticket sales...
 - Volunteer Coordinator: organizing volunteers for the event
 - People needed to work the night of the event
 - Sell rip tickets, raffle tickets...
 - Basket Raffle Coordinator: organize basket raffle
 - Nicky will put something out on CutTime to look for Coordinators before we move forward with planning. Email fundraising@hampamusic.com if you are interested by October 12th.

Concession Stand Updates: Bernie Pavlock and DeAnna Hunter- Concession Stand Managers (concessions@hampamusic.com)

- Pumpkin Fest- have enough volunteers for during the event
 - Need volunteers: Meet at Visitors stand to shuttle things up to the diamond near
 - Set up 7:00-9:30
 - Tear down at 4:00-5:00pm
 - Will be added to CutTime or reach out to president@hampamusic.com if interested.
- Looking forward:

- Trying to run inventory down
- Will need to know if there are any events scheduled after the last home game
- Will do a sale if there is leftover inventory

Directors Reports or Comments:

Senior High Bands- Scott Sheehan- absent

- See Report

Senior High and Junior High Orchestra- Jennifer Pappal

- See Report

Junior and Senior High Choruses- Jacob Mandell- absent

- No report

Junior High Bands- Deenna Herb

- See Report
- Brigitte to order pizza for October 14th
- Hosting County Band March 15th and 16th

Senior High Majorettes- Julie Storm- absent

- See Report

Junior High Majorettes- Courtney Hornung

- Planning and preparing for the indoor team.
 - Tryouts coming up soon!
- Jr High Majorettes- performed at the Homecoming parade- loved it!
 - Coming up: Bandarama, football game on the 16th, and the Halloween parade
- Great seasons so far with awesome experiences for the JH Majorettes!

HARP and Junior High Drama- Holly Mercer- absent

- See Report

HACT: Kelly Hartman

- Prepping for How To Train Your Dragon
- Auditions: Monday October 26th and Wednesday October 28th at Longer Elementary.
- 4-6th grade
- Show will be the last weekend of February

Elementary Faculty in Attendance: Maria McElhinney

- Getting started with all ensembles- everything is going well

Old Business for Discussion:

- No old business to discuss

New Business for Discussion:

- See Kelly Hartman's report above for new business discussed

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Nicky, DeAnna seconded the motion.

Next Meeting: November 2, 2026

"Seize the day"- Newsies

Nikole Eardley, Secretary

Reports:

Senior High Vice Presidents: -Jill Blescia and Brigitte Donlan

- The Sr High Band is over halfway through football season. It is going very well and we have had many volunteers. Bandarama is set for Thursday and we have the help we need. Please be on the lookout for concert season and many volunteer opportunities to help. All volunteer opportunities will be placed on Cuttime in the near future.
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Fundraising: Nicky Keagy

- Marianna's will be delivered this Friday, October 9th - doors will open for pickup at 4:30pm. As always, distribution is in the SH Chorus room behind the tiger statue.
 - Candy bars will be available for pickup as well this Friday. If you placed a preorder for Hershey's or World's Finest please plan to be at the school no later than 5:30pm. There are a handful of boxes of World's Finest available, first come first served - cost is \$80, \$32.80 will be credited to CutTime for Fair Share.
 - Little Tokyo and Front Street Subs have been added to the gift card fundraiser and will be due with everything else on November 13th - distribution is Saturday, December 5th at 9am. Forms are available in the music rooms and at hampamusic.com
 - Gardner's Christmas Candy launches next week and will be due November 13th, distribution is Saturday, December 5th- order forms will be available in the music rooms as well as at hampamusic.com Online order code will be 10-1194
 - Acoustic Coffee will run the month of November - more details to come.
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Senior High Bands

Scott Sheehan, Senior High Band Director

HAMPA Report – October 5, 2026

- I do not have words to express my gratitude about how well Friday night went for the Homecoming festivities and the Alumni Band. What a way to kick off our 100th anniversary!! I am very proud of our Senior High Band for their performances in the parade, pregame, half-time, and their show after the game! They did a great job ALL DAY! Many thanks to all of the parents, especially Jill and Brigitte, who helped with everything, and to the parents who helped at the alumni dinner. A big shout out to Mr. Harris and Ms. Herb for their help getting instruments pulled together for the alumni band and for helping with logistics, and another shoutout to Stephanie Everett and Bonnie Waltz for heading up the registration table. Thank you to Kelly Hartman for all of her extra help and last minute running!! Finally, I am so thankful to all of the alumni who came back to have one more Friday Night under the lights. It was very special in so

many ways, and I think everyone had a lot of fun! As they say, it takes a village, and what a very special village we have at Hollidaysburg!!

- **Bandarama Concert** is Oct. 8. Students should report at 6:15pm. Concert starts at 7:00pm. We will be charging the regular admission.
 - We're excited to welcome the 8th grade band at the football game on Oct. 16. Also, just a reminder there is no football this Friday, Oct. 9.
 - **Senior Night** is on Friday, Oct. 23. Parents and guardians of Seniors should report to the track by 6:00pm. More info will be coming soon!
 - We're looking forward to the **Spooktacular Concert** on Oct. 27. The Jazz Band will kick things off around 6:50pm as a prelude while people are coming from the Safe Trick-or-Treat. The concert starts at 7:00pm.
 - The last marching band practice of the season is on Oct. 28 and will be followed by the Senior Dinner. I'll be sharing more information with the Seniors next week.
 - The Symphonic Wind Ensemble will be traveling to Penn State on Wednesday, Oct. 28 to do workshops with the Music Education students and a side-by-side rehearsal with the PSU SWE.
 - Music is available for students who are interested in auditioning for PMEA District Band. Students need to play for Mr. Sheehan by Oct. 31. Auditions are at Penn Cambria HS on Nov. 15. The festival is at Richland High School on January 13 -15, 2027.
 - Reminder: Concert Dress for Wind Ensemble, Concert Band, and Jazz Band is tuxedo, black concert gown, or a black suit. The information for the black dress will be sent home later this fall. Students will need this for concerts in December.
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Senior High and Junior High Orchestra

Director's Report – Jennifer Pappal – JH/SH Orchestra
October 5, 2026

JH - no report

SH - The senior high orchestra students are working hard to prepare for the Spooktacular concert to be held on Tuesday, October 27th.. The District Orchestra selection meeting will be held on October 25th with music coming out to selected students shortly after that date.

Junior High Bands; Deanna Herb

JH Band - October

- 8th Grade Band had a great experience at Penn State today for Middle School Band Day! Thank you to everyone who helped make all of this possible for us!

- 7th/8th Drumline will perform on Thursday (10/8) at Bandarama and on Saturday at Pumpkinfest (10/10).
 - Report time for Bandarama is 6:15 PM, and report time for Pumpkinfest is 11:30 AM.
 - Next Tuesday's rehearsal will be for 8th graders only
 - Only the 8th grade will perform at the Football Game with the Senior High this year; this will be on Friday, October 16th. We will have a rehearsal with the Senior High on October 14 from 3-4:30 PM at the Stadium
 - Report time is 5:00 PM on Friday the 16th - we will have pizza for dinner. Students will wear their Band Shirts.
 - Jazz Too will begin on October 15. It will be on Thursdays this year from 3:15 - 4:30 at the Junior High and will continue throughout the year. This is for students in Grades 9-12.
 - 7th/8th Grade Jazz will begin on Wednesday, November 4 from 3-4PM. Students interested in joining will be able to begin signing up this week via Google Classroom.
 - 9th Grade will once again perform at the Spooktacular concert on October 27 at 7PM. Report time will be 6:30 PM in Halloween costumes. Thank you to the Senior High ensembles for sharing with us!
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Senior High Majorettes: Julie Storm
October Report for Senior High Majorettes.

The Alumni/Homecoming Game was a great success, thanks to Mr. Sheehan for ensuring everything ran smoothly. The Senior High girls were thrilled to have the Junior High majorettes join them for the Homecoming Parade. Looking ahead, the team is currently working on costumes for the upcoming Halloween Parade and preparing for indoor varsity tryouts, which will take place in late October or early November as we focus on building our best possible indoor squads.

HARP and Junior High Drama: Holly Mercer

HARP:

- The cast is doing such an amazing job in rehearsal. We have now blocked more than half the show, which is very exciting, and students have learned all the music. The cast is also in the process of learning choreography. Diana McGough is doing absolutely fantastic work with the choreography. It has been so fun to watch the magic taking place!
- We had our first Crew meeting last week and I was thrilled to see that we have approximately 30 students interested in helping with crew and set construction. The first day of set construction will actually be today. We can't wait for you to get to see this show.
- We will be in need of some help during tech week. We need volunteers to sell tickets, and concessions in the lobby. We also will need volunteers to help with the cast party.

We also need at least one board-approved volunteer(with clearances) to be backstage during the performances and, ideally, during the tech week rehearsals. There may also be other volunteer opportunities for whatever needs Tami and Lori identify.

- I have already gotten a lot of questions about tickets(which is amazing!). Anyone interested in obtaining tickets can email harp@hasdtigers.com. The Box Office will be open, starting on Thursday(11/12) when individuals can pick up and pay for the tickets they have requested. In other HARP news, I am currently working on finalizing details for a Frozen tour of the elementary schools, which is to take place on Friday, 11/13. We also have posters, which we could use some help with distributing to local businesses and yard signs should be arriving sometime this week. Let me know if you are willing to help with this! Thank you for all of your support!

Junior Theatre:

The wait is almost over! Our new Assistant Directors(who are individually fulfilling the roles as Music Director and Choreographer), as well as the theatrical contract are on the HASB agenda for the middle of October. I can't wait to announce the show and the wonderful individuals who will be joining us on the Production Team! Hopefully, on October 15th, we will be announcing the show, the new Music Director, the new Choreographer, and auditions. Stay tuned! Thanks for your support!

Hollidaysburg Area Music Department

Updated
9/10/26

Concert & Events Schedule 2026-2027

Event	Date	Time	Location
Bandarama Concert	Oct. 8	7:00P M	Senior High Auditorium
Senior High Blair County Band Festival	Oct. 12 & 13	All Day	Bishop Guilfoyle HS
District Chorus Pre-auditions	Oct. 18	All Day	Rockwood HS
District Orchestra Selections Meeting	Oct. 25	1:00PM	Virtual
Senior High Spooktacular Concert	Oct. 27	7:00p m	Senior High Auditorium
Halloween Parade	Oct. 31	6:00PM	Hollidaysburg
District Band Auditions	Nov. 15	1:00PM	Penn Cambria HS
HARP Fall Show – Disney's Frozen	Nov. 19, 20, 21	7:00P M	SH Auditorium
Winterfest Parade	Nov. 22	1:00PM	Hollidaysburg
SH County Chorus	Nov. 23 & 24	All Day	TBD
Junior High Choirs Winter Concert	Dec. 3	7:00P M	JH Auditorium
Foot of Ten Elem Choir, Band, & Orchestra Winter Concert	Dec. 7	7:00P M	SH Auditorium
Senior High Orchestra & Concert Band Winter Concert	Dec. 8	7:00P M	SH Auditorium
JH Bands & Orchestras Winter Concert	Dec. 10	6:00p m	JH Auditorium
Wind Ensemble & Chamber Strings Holiday Tour	Dec. 11		Elem. Schools & Mall
Fantazia with Altoona Symphony Orchestra	Dec. 12.	TBD	Altoona High School
C.W. Longer Choir, Band, & Orchestra Winter Concert	Dec. 15	7:00P M	SH Auditorium
SH Concert Choir & Symphonic Wind Ensemble Concert	Dec. 14	7:00P M	SH Auditorium
Fantazia Holiday Tour	Dec. 16		Community
Frankstown Elem Choir, Band, & Orchestra Winter Concert	Dec. 17	7:00P M	SH Auditorium
Winter Jazz Concert	January 7	7:00P M	SH Auditorium
PMEA District 6 Band Festival	Jan. 14 -16	All Day	Richland HS
Keystone String Fest	Jan. 21	All Day	Richland High School
PMEA District 6 Jazz Festival	Jan. 21 & 22	All Day	Westmont Hilltop HS
PMEA District 6 Chorus Festival	Jan. 27, 28, 29	All Day	Central Cambria HS
Junior High Blair County Chorus Festival	Feb. 2 & 3	All Day	Bishop Guilfoyle HS
PMEA District 6 Orchestra Festival	Feb. 4, 5, & 6	All Day	Johnstown High School
Jr. Theatre Production – TBD	Feb. 12 & 13 Feb. 14	7:00P M 2:00P M	SH Auditorium
PMEA Region III Band Festival	Feb. 17, 18, & 19	All Day	Hollidaysburg SHS
Fantazia with Orpheus Singers	Feb. 27	TBD	TBD
H-ACT Elementary Production – TBD	Feb. 26 & 27 Feb. 28	7:00P M 2:00P M	SH Auditorium
Junior High Jazz Concert	March 2	7:00pm	JH Auditorium
PMEA Region III Chorus Festival	March 4, 5, & 6	All Day	Glendale HS
PMEA Western Region Orchestra Festival	March 11, 12, & 13	All Day	TBD – District 2
Junior Blair County Band Festival	March 15 & 16	All Day	Hollidaysburg JHS
100th Anniversary Concert	March 21	2:00P M	SH Auditorium
Senior High Spring Trip	March 24	All Day	TBD
6 th Grade Bandfest	April 2	All Day	Northern Cambria HS
Elementary Band Spring Concert	April 8	7:00P M	JH Auditorium
Elementary Chorus Spring Concert	April 12	7:00P M	SH Auditorium
PMEA All-State Festival & Conference	April 14 - 17	All Day	Erie, PA

JH Chorus Concert	April 20	7:00P M	JH Auditorium
SH Orchestra & Concert Band Spring Concert	April 21	7:00p m	SH Auditorium
Elementary Orchestra Spring Concert	April 22	7:00P M	JH Auditorium
SH Fantazia, Concert Choir, & SWE Spring Concert	April 27	7:00P M	SH Auditorium
HARP Night on Broadway	April 30		SH Auditorium
Spring Jazz Concert	May 6	6:00P M	The Casino
Jazz Bands Hershey Adjudication Trip	May 8	All Day	Hershey, PA
JH Bands & Orchestras Concert	May 12	6:00P M	JH Auditorium
5 th Grade Songfest	May 14	All Day	Central Cambria HS
Elementary Small Ensemble Concert	May 20	7:00P M	C.W. Longer Elementary
JH Kennywood Trip	May 21	All Day	Pittsburgh, PA
Fine Arts Banquet	May 27	6:00PM	Senior High
Memorial Day Parades	May 31		Hollidaysburg & Duncansville
Graduation	June 2	6:00PM	Tiger Stadium